

Cal OES Daily Situation Report

July 31, 2014



El Portal Fire as seen from Crane Flat Lookout, Mariposa County. Photo Credit: Wildfire Today



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Duty Officer	
EDO	Stacy Mason-Vegna
CSWC Watch Officer	Rachel Sierer Wooden (Day), Charles Bickinella (Night)
FDO	John Salvate
LDO	Mark Baldwin
IDO	Grizz Adams
CDO	Catrina Christian
SDO	Jaqueline Martinez
PIO	Brad Alexander
TCOM	Jeffrey Howell
IT	Peggy Aday
EQTP	Kevin Miller
Tribal Liaison POC	Denise Shemenski
Access and Functional Needs POC	Richard Devylder

National Terrorism Advisory System

Current Alerts



SITUATION SUMMARY

3-7 Day Incident, Vegetation Fire, Modoc County (New)

Day Road, 2 miles north of Day

Per CAL FIRE, Cal OES Duty Officers, and ICS-209 as of 07/31/14 at 0624 hours:
SRA

- 700 acres, 5% contained
- Threatened Structures: 100 Single Residences
- [See Fire Activity Section for detailed information.](#)

Sand Incident, Vegetation Fire, Amador / El Dorado Counties (Final)

East of Hwy 49, Amador / El Dorado County Line, 5 miles north of Plymouth

Per CAL FIRE, Cal OES Duty Officers, and ICS-209 as of 07/31/14 at 0553 hours:
SRA

- 4,240 acres, 95% contained
- Expected Containment: 08/02/2014
- CAL FIRE IMT 2 (Patterson) will transition command back to the Amador-El Dorado Unit at 1000 hours today, 7/31; with a three day incident action plan for the Unit.

El Portal Incident, Vegetation Fire, Mariposa County (Update)

Near Highway 140 and the Community of El Portal, Yosemite National Park

Per CAL FIRE, Cal OES Duty Officers, and ICS-209 as of 07/31/14 at 0630 hours:
FRA

- 3,900 acres, 34% contained
- Threatened Structures: 50 Single Residences, 4 Nonresidential Commercial Property, 30 Other Minor Structures
- Destroyed Structures: 2 Single Residence
- Damaged Structures: 2 Single Residence
- [See Fire Activity Section for detailed information.](#)

SITUATION SUMMARY

Dark Hole Incident, Vegetation Fire, Mariposa County (Update)

Four (4) miles north of Yosemite Valley, South of Tioga Road

Per CALFIRE, Cal OES Duty Officers, and ICS-209 as of 07/31/14 at 0634 hours:

FRA

- 647 acres, 5% contained
- Yosemite Creek Trail and Yosemite Creek Campground are closed
- Type 1 IMT assigned
- One (1) Cal OES Fire Assistant Chief is assigned to the incident
- No structures threatened
- Continue to monitor fire behavior and growth and hold fire from crossing Yosemite Creek

French Incident, Vegetation Fire, Madera County (Update)

Rock Creek Campground – Madera County

Per Cal FIRE and ICS-209 as of 07/31/14 at 0600 hours:

FRA

Start Date/Time: 07/28/14 at 0545 hours

- 7,024 acres, 10% contained
- Threatened Structures: 28 Single Residences, 1 Nonresidential Commercial Property, 5 Other Minor Structures
- Structure protection in the Houge Ranch and Kinsman Flat area will continue to be the primary objective
- Type 2 IMT assigned
- 20 Local Government Engines assigned
- Madera County SO reports there are evacuations of campsites and summer vacation type homes. They have four deputies and one lieutenant assigned to the incident. No current or pending requests for mutual aid resources.

SITUATION SUMMARY

Web Incident, Vegetation Fire, Butte County (Update)

Web Hollow, West of Hwy 32, 6 miles north of Forest Ranch, Butte County

Per ICS-209 as of 07/31/14 at 0427 hours:

SRA

Start Date/Time: 07/28/14 at 1311 hours

- 389 acres timber and logging slash, 70% contained
- Expected Containment: 08/01/2014
- Continue to build and improve line.

Significant Weather

- **Red Flag Warning** in effect today from 1400 hours to 2300 hours for Modoc and Siskiyou Counties.
- **Excessive Heat Warning** remains in effect until 2000 hours today for portions of Riverside and Imperial counties.

Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

- SOC / Inland REOC remains activated in support of 2014 Drought

WEATHER

Week Ahead Weather Highlights

Thursday

- Dangerously hot daytime temperatures up to 115 degrees will impact desert locations of SE California. There are impacts to at risk populations and to those working outdoors who do not take proper precautions.
- Thunderstorms will produce frequent dry lightning over far north-central California. This combined with dry fuels will result in multiple new fire starts.

Friday-Sunday

- Isolated thunderstorms across mountains of eastern California and deserts of SE California due to monsoon moisture. There is possible flash flood threat in areas of heaviest precipitation.

Monday-Wednesday

- No significant hazards expected.

California OES Impact Threat Matrix

July 31, 2014 – August 06, 2014

DAY/THREAT	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE	WED
Fire Weather	North Central CA						
Winds							
Heavy Rain/ Flash Flooding		SE CA	SE CA	SE CA			
Severe Weather							
Heat	SE CA Deserts						
Tropical							

	High Threat
	Moderate Threat
	Slight Threat
	No Discernible Threat



WEATHER

WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AND CENTRAL COASTAL AREAS:

Eureka Weather:

Another weak disturbance will couple with atmospheric instability to produce another round of isolated thunderstorms over the trinity horn this afternoon. Low clouds and patchy fog along the coast will give way to partial clearing during the afternoon. Daytime temperatures will remain hot over the interior.

San Francisco Weather:

A drier mid to upper level southwest flow has reached the area and will persist into the weekend. Temperatures should remain very warm inland and cooler along the coast. Cooler air is expected to spread inland later in the weekend and early next week as the marine layer deepens.

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA AND SOUTHERN SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY

Sacramento Weather:

Another day of Sierra Crest showers and thunderstorms today, then a drying trend. A return to Sierra showers and thunderstorms possible again early/mid week next week.

Hanford Weather:

Upper level remnants of tropical depression Hernan passing through the region will continue a northeast movement into the northern plains. A weak high pressure ridge has begun to build into the central interior through the remainder of the week.

WEATHER

WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA:

Los Angeles Weather:

An upper level high just to the east of the region will keep temperatures generally above normal through the weekend, with night through morning low clouds confined mostly to coastal sections. Some monsoonal moisture may creep into the region by Sunday, bringing a slight chance of afternoon and evening thunderstorms to the mountains and deserts. Slight cooling is possible early next week as the upper high weakens a bit.

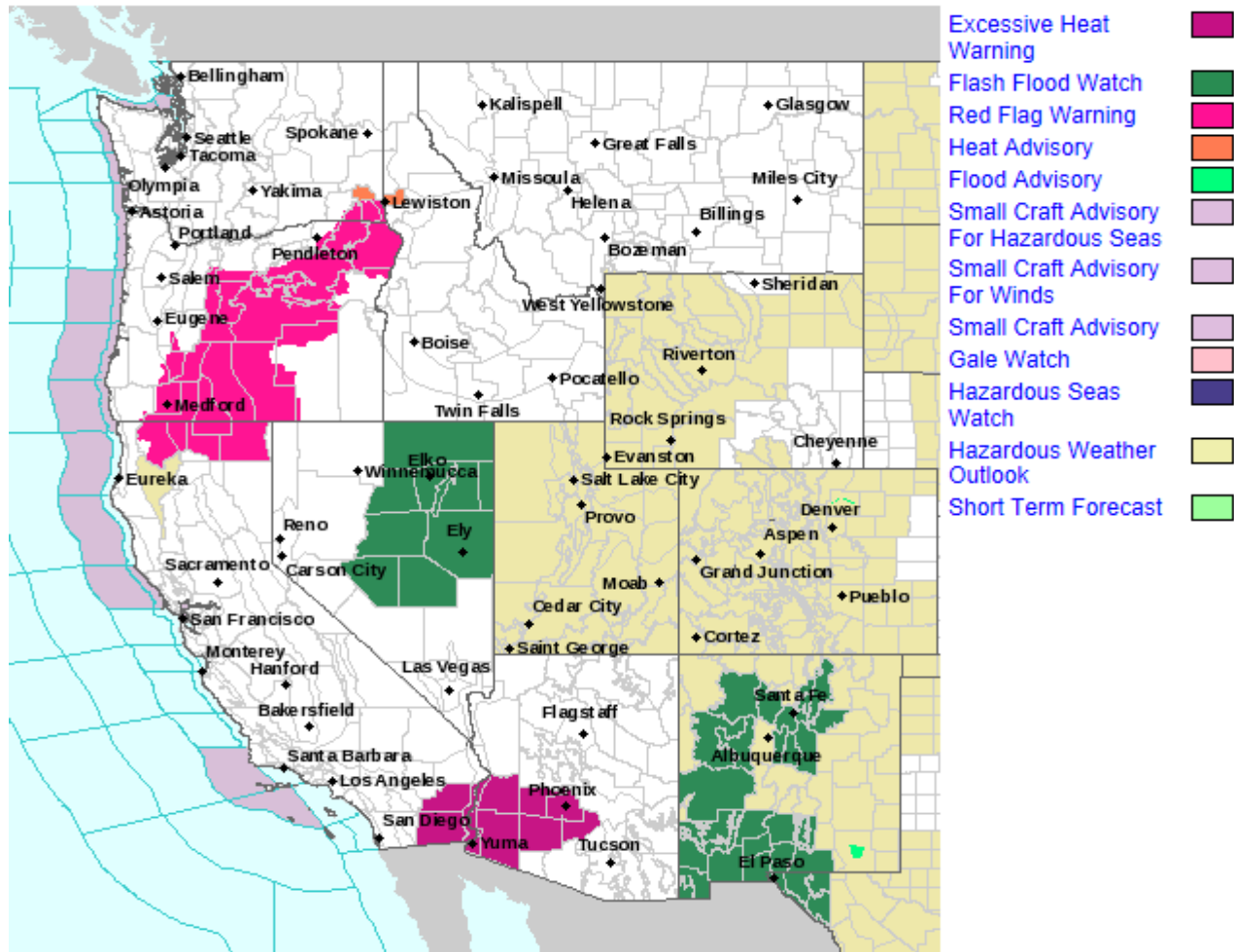
Extreme Southwestern California Including Orange, San Diego, Western Riverside and Southwestern San Bernardino Counties:

Drier weather will prevail through Thursday with above average temperatures for inland areas. For Friday through Sunday, monsoonal moisture may return with a renewed chance of mainly afternoon and evening thunderstorms mainly in the mountains and deserts. Drier weather will return early next week. The marine layer and weak onshore flow will bring patchy late night and early morning low clouds and fog near the coast.

Southeast California Weather:

Anticipate another hot day today, though there will be more cloudiness around. A slight chance of storms returns to portions of south-central Arizona today. Expect an uptrend in thunderstorm chances expanding from east to west Friday through Sunday. Accordingly, temperatures will not be as hot. Next week, a downtrend is anticipated as drier air filters in.

STATE WEATHER MAP



Last map update: Jul, 31st 2014 at 9:55:07 am MDT

FIRE ACTIVITY



Preparedness Levels:

National Preparedness Level 3

Northern California

Preparedness Level 3, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

Southern California

Preparedness Level 3, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

California Fire Potential & Weather Maps

Southern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

<http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/8>

Northern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

<http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/10>

California Fire Weather Map Watches and Warnings

<http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/firewx/main.php>

NWS California River Forecast Center:

<http://www.cnrfc.noaa.gov/>

FIRE ACTIVITY

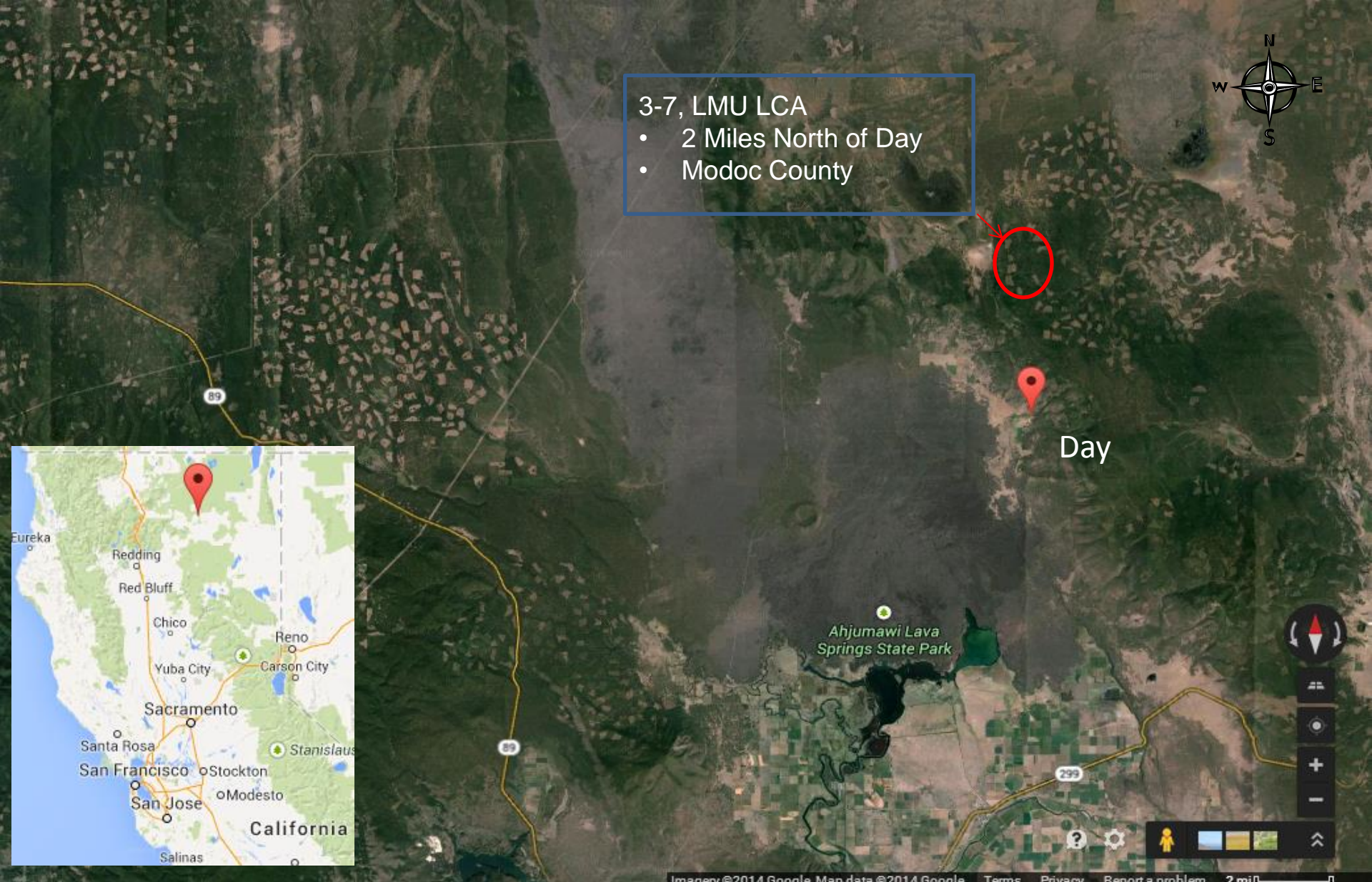
3-7 Day Incident, Vegetation Fire, Modoc County (New)

Day Road, 2 miles north of Day

SRA

- 700 acres, 5% contained
- Threatened Structures: 100 Single Residences
- Type 3 IC has been assigned
- Threat to the community of Day and commercial timber lands
- 3 Local Government Dozers and 5 Water tenders assigned
- Mitigate threat to the community of Day and timber lands. Establish fire control lines.





3-7, LMU LCA

- 2 Miles North of Day
- Modoc County

Day

Ahjumawi Lava
Springs State Park



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FIRE ACTIVITY



El Portal Incident, Vegetation Fire, Mariposa County (No change)

Near Highway 140 and the Community of El Portal, Yosemite National Park
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FRA

Fire Information:

- 3,900 acres, 34% contained
- Threatened Structures: 50 Single Residences, 4 Nonresidential Commercial Property, 30 Other Minor Structures
- Destroyed Structures: 1 Single Residence
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- TYPE 1 IMT assigned
- Commitment of CAL FIRE Ground and Air Resources
- Total Personnel – 1,063

Emergency Management:

Evacuations/Shelters

- Residences in the Foresta area are still under an active evacuation order.
- Per Mariposa County Sheriff's Office, 87 residences and 1 business under Mandatory Evacuation Orders.
- Crane Flat Campground has been evacuated

Resource Center

- The American Red Cross (ARC) has opened a new resource center located at the New Life Christian Church, 5089 Cole Road in Mariposa.

FIRE ACTIVITY



El Portal Incident, Vegetation Fire, Mariposa County Cont. (Update)

Deployments

- One (1) Cal OES Fire Assistant Chief is assigned to the incident.

Mission Tasking

- Mission number 2014-IREOC-4143 has been assigned to CA Air Resources Board for four air monitors at the request of for Mariposa County Environmental Health.

Utilities

- PG&E Outage Map, last updated 1735 hours on 07/30/14, reports 59 customers in the area are without power.

Road Closures

- Foresta Rd at Hwy 140 is open to residents only as of 0900 hours on 07/29/14
- Crane Creek at Hwy 140 is open to residents only as of 0900 hours on 07/29/14
- Hwy 120 "Big Oak Flat" Rd is closed from Crane Flat to Hwy 140

El Portal Incident, Vegetation Fire, Mariposa County



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CAL OES ACTIVATIONS

Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

- The SOC is activated at Level 2 in support of the Drought State of Emergency from 0800-1700 hours daily.
- The Inland REOC is activated at Level 2 from 0800-1700 Monday through Friday or as needed.
- The Southern REOC is activated at Level 1.
- The Santa Barbara County OA EOC is activated at Level 2 to be handled by the duty officer for the purpose of monitoring activities and gaining situational awareness. The operational period is Monday – Friday, 0800-1700 hours.

Situational Summary

On January 17, 2014 Governor Edmund G. Brown proclaimed a State of Emergency and directed state officials to take all necessary actions to prepare for drought conditions. The State Operation Center (SOC) is activated to implement objectives in support of the Governor's priorities. The lack of winter rain and snowfall has resulted in extremely dry conditions in many parts of the State. Reservoir levels are down significantly from where they should be on average for this time of year. If conditions continue severe impacts to municipal water supplies, agriculture (plants and livestock) and firefighting capabilities are likely in store for the State over the next few months. Negative economic impacts will also result.

The drought could result in severe impacts to the municipal water supplies, wells, agriculture (plants and livestock) and firefighting capabilities for several months. The SOC continues to be activated to monitor the situation statewide, and support regional and local operational areas.

- On 7/15/14 the State Water Resources Control Board passed a new emergency regulation to reduce out door urban water use. The regulation makes an exception for health and safety circumstances. Local agencies can ask courts to fine water users up to \$500.00 a day and the SWRCB can fine water agencies up to \$10,000.00 per day. The adopted regulations are expected to go into effect by August 1, 2014 and remain in effect for 270 days.

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/publications_forms/publications/factsheets/docs/emergregsurban_fs072214.pdf

- Current Reservoir Levels continue to decline. As of July 28, the levels are: Don Pedro 45%; Exchequer 22%; Folsom Lake 43%; Lake Oroville 37%; Millerton Lake 54%; New Melones 27%; Pine Flat 18%; San Luis 24%; Lake Shasta 36%; and Trinity Lake 37%.

Situational Summary

- Drought Top Environmental Concern of Californians, PPIC Report Finds: A newly released survey by the Public Policy Institute of California (PPIC) reveals that drought and wildfires are at the top of the list of public worries about the impacts of global warming. The survey also found that 75% of respondents believe public water agencies should require residents to reduce water use.
- Association of California Water Agencies Article [Here](#)
- Save our Water. Find easy tips both [indoors](#) and [outdoors](#) and start saving water every day. Tour the California Urban Water Conservation Council's interactive [H2ouse](#) to learn more ways to save water indoors and outdoors! <http://www.saveourh2o.org/tips> In early August 2014, the Save Our Water campaign will launch a new microsite and additional drought-specific PSAs in Spanish.
- The 2014 Governor Drought Task Force continues to meet regularly to take actions that conserve water and coordinate state response to the drought.
- Cal OES continues to gather drought-related costs from state agencies and local governments.
- The DWR has released a list of unmonitored high and medium priority groundwater basins. As outlined in California's Water Code, some counties and groundwater management agencies in unmonitored basins may be ineligible for water grants and loans administered by the state.
- Association of California Water Agencies Article [Here](#)

July 29, 2014

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Valid 8 a.m. EDT

U.S. Drought Monitor


California


Drought Condition (Percent Area):


Week	Date	Nothing	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	7/29/2014	0.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	81.89	58.41
Last Week	7/22/2014	0.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	81.89	36.49
3 Months Ago	4/29/2014	0.00	100.00	100.00	96.01	76.68	24.77
Start of Calendar Year	12/31/2013	2.61	97.39	94.25	87.53	27.59	0.00
Start of Water Year	10/1/2013	2.63	97.37	95.95	84.12	11.36	0.00
One Year Ago	7/30/2013	0.00	100.00	98.23	93.86	0.00	0.00


Intensity:

 D0 - Abnormally Dry

 D1 - Moderate Drought

 D2 - Severe Drought

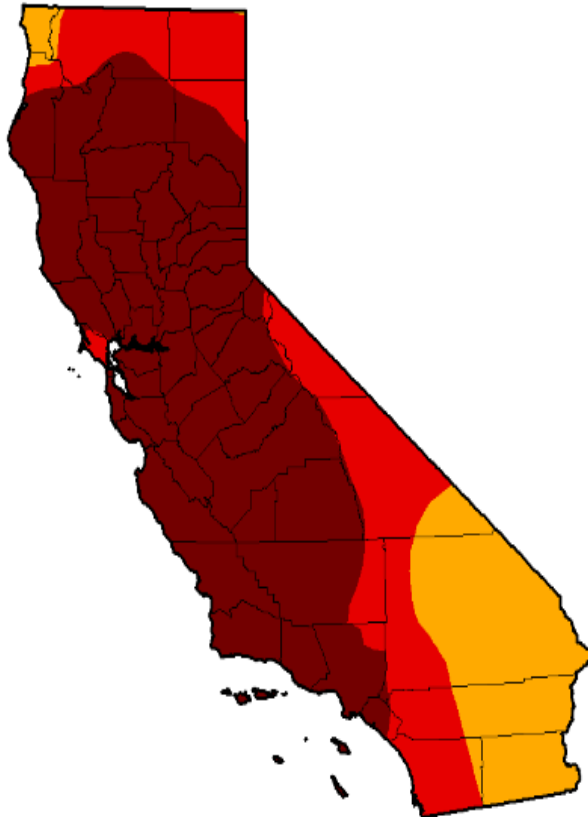
 D3 - Extreme Drought

 D4 - Exceptional Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. See accompanying [text summary](#) for forecast statements.

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Drought Declarations/Resolutions/Proclamations:

County Declarations/Resolutions/Proclamations:

Declarations/Resolutions/Proclamations			
Inland Region			
County	Date Signed	Request	Reaffirmation Received
Glenn	1/30/2014; 4/16/2014	State and Federal relief	3/10/2014
Kern	1/14/2014	Gubernatorial and Presidential	6/27/2014
Kings	1/14/2014	State and Federal assistance	7/14/2014
Madera	1/28/2014	No specific request	7/21/2014
Mariposa	5/13/2014	State and Federal assistance	7/8/2014
Merced	3/6/2014	No specific request	6/27/2014
Modoc	3/5/2014	No specific request	7/29/2014
San Joaquin	1/28/2014	No specific request	5/21/2014
Sierra	7/22/2014	Gubernatorial and Presidential	
Shasta	5/15/2014	No specific request	7/29/2014
Siskiyou	3/11/2014	Gubernatorial and Presidential	6/17/2014
Sutter	2/11/2014	Gubernatorial and Presidential	6/2/2014
Tulare	2/4/2014	CDAA and Federal assistance	7/15/2014
Tuolumne	2/4/2014	CDAA and Federal assistance	7/18/2014
Yuba	2/18/2014	Gubernatorial and Presidential	7/14/2014
Coastal Region			
County	Date Signed	Request	Reaffirmation Received
Humboldt	7/1/2014	No specific request	
Lake	3/6/2014	CDAA and Federal assistance	
Mendocino	1/7/2014	No specific request	
Sonoma	2/25/2014	CDAA and Federal assistance	
Southern Region			
County	Date Signed	Request	Reaffirmation Received
Inyo	1/28/2014	CDAA	
Santa Barbara	1/17/2014; 5/23/2014	No Specific request; CDAA	
San Luis Obispo	3/11/2014	CDAA and Federal assistance	



Declarations/Resolutions/Proclamations: (Cont.)

City / Tribe / Special District Declarations/Resolutions/Proclamations:

Declarations/Resolutions/Proclamations		
City/Tribe/Special District		Request
Inland Region		
City of Live Oak, Sutter	5/12/2014	Declare Local Emergency State/Fed assistance
Placer County Water Agency Placer	2/6/2014	Local conservation and funding measures
Twain Harte Community Services Dist Tuolumne	1/29/2014	Enact District conservation measures
Tule River Tribe Tulare	1/30/2014	Enact Tribal emergency authorities
Lake Don Pedro CSD, Mariposa, Tuolumne	2/18/2014	Declare a Stage I Water Emergency
Lodi City, San Joaquin County	7/1/2014	Declare Local Emergency State/Fed assistance
Karuk Tribe Siskiyou, Humboldt	2/18/2014	Enact Tribal emergency authorities
Montague City, Siskiyou	4/14/2014	
Mountain House CSD, San Joaquin County	7/1/2014	Declaring Stage 1 Mandatory Water Conservation
Mariposa Public Utility District	2/4/2014	Enact District conservation measures
Nevada Irrigation District	5/13/2014	Adopting Stage II Drought Contingency Plan
Ripon City, San Joaquin County	7/1/2014	Mandatory Water Conservation
Tuolumne Utilities District	2/13/2014	Declare a Stage III Water Emergency
Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation, Yolo	3/25/2014	Enact Tribal emergency authorities
Cortina Rancheria Kletsel Dehe Band of Wintun Indians, Colusa County	7/7/2014	Declared drought emergency / instituting conservation measures.



Declarations/Resolutions/Proclamations: (Cont.)

City / Tribe / Special District Declarations/Resolutions/Proclamations: (Cont.)

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City/Tribe/Special District		Request
Coastal Region		
Hoop Valley Tribe Humboldt	1/20/2014	Enact Tribal emergency authorities
Yurok Tribe Del Norte, Humboldt	1/29/2014	Enact Tribal emergency authorities
City of Willits Mendocino	1/7/2014	Declare a Phase V Water Emergency
Brooktrails Township Community Svcs Dist, Mendocino	1/7/2014	
City of Calistoga Napa	2/4/2014	Declare a Stage II Water Emergency
City of St. Helena Napa	1/28/2014	Declare a Stage II Water Emergency
City of American Canyon Napa	2/4/2014	Declare a Stage I Water Emergency
City of Rio Dell, Humboldt	7/17/2014	Declare a Stage III Water Shortage Emergency
City of San Juan Bautista	5/15/2014	Declare a Water Shortage Emergency
Sherwood Valley Pomo Indian Tribe, Mendocino	3/21/2014	Enact Tribal emergency authorities
Southern Region		
Carpinteria Valley Water District	2/12/2014	Declare a Stage I Water Emergency
Meiners Oaks Water District	3/4/2014	Declare a Stage II Water Emergency
Montecito Water District, Santa Barbara	2/11/2014	Declare a Water Emergency w/Conserv. measures
Goleta Water District	3/25/2014	Declare a Stage I Water Emergency
City of Santa Barbara	5/21/2014	Declare Stage II Water Emergency



County Drought Task Force Meetings

Information as of 7/29/14

County Drought Task Force Upcoming Meetings		
Inland Region		
County	Previous Meetings	Upcoming Meetings
Butte	5/19/2014	8/4/2014
Kern	5/15/2014	TBD
Kings	7/18/2014	8/27/2014
Madera	6/18/2014	7/29/2014
Merced	7/10/2014	8/14/2014
Modoc	2/12/2014	TBD
Nevada	7/16/2014	TBD
Placer	3/12/2014	TBD
Plumas	7/7/2014	8/4/2014
Sacramento	Reschedule	7/31/2014
San Joaquin	7/16/2014	8/13/2014
Siskiyou	5/22/2014	TBD
Stanislaus	6/19/2014	8/7/2014
Sutter	7/10/2014	8/14/2014
Tehama	5/19/2014	TBD
Tulare	7/14/2014	8/21/2014
Tuolumne	7/17/2014	8/21/2014
Yolo	7/3/2014	8/7/2014
Coastal Region		
Hoop Valley Tribe	6/18/2014	TBD
Lake	7/17/2014	8/7/2014
Mendocino	7/17/2014	7/31/2014
Monterey	5/29/2014	7/30/2014
Napa	5/28/2014	TBD
San Mateo	7/17/2014	7/29/2014
Southern Region		
Orange	6/25/2014	TBD
San Luis Obispo	7/24/2014	8/20/2014
Santa Barbara	7/23/2014	8/20/2014



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Mission:

We protect lives and property, build capabilities, and support our communities for a resilient California.

We achieve our mission by serving the public through effective collaboration in preparing for, protecting against, responding to, recovering from, and mitigating the impacts of all hazards and threats.